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REMARKS

Claims 1-24, 38-41, 46-59, and 60-61 are pending and under consideration in the present application.

Claims 25-37 and 42-45 have been cancelled without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter recited therein. Claims 60-61 are newly-presented and are deemed patentable due at least to their depending from claim 38. Claims 3, 10, 20-22, 40, 41, and 48 have been amended without narrowing the scope thereof. No new matter is believed to have been added.

There being no further outstanding objections or rejections, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. An early action to that effect is courteously solicited.

Finally, if there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 503333.

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